

# PICKAWAY COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES



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## 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

### **Our Mission Statement**

“Through leadership and partnering with our community, we assist and encourage the people of Pickaway County to become **SAFE, STABLE**, healthy and **SELF-SUFFICIENT** individuals and families with opportunities for growth. We do this by exploring their **STRENGTHS** and needs and providing quality services.”

## PCJFS Director

Joy Ewing

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## PICKAWAY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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## Family Services Planning Committee

Kim Hartinger, Pickaway Metropolitan Housing Authority

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## SFY'21 Expenditures SFY'21

### Admin. & Operating Expenses

Income Maintenance/Public Assistance	\$ 2,142,835.23
Child Support	\$ 908,207.95
Social Services	\$ 60,365.17
Child Welfare	\$ 1,140,021.94
Workforce Investment Act	\$ 70,218.19

### Assistance Expenditures

Ohio Works First	\$ 971,852.00
Foster Care	\$ 1,247,413.26
Adoption	\$ 219,752.68
START/EPIC Peer Mentoring	\$ 69,283.93
Kinship	\$ 49,172.08
Food Assistance	\$ 17,126,199.00
Medicaid Transportation	\$ 366,281.29
Prevention, Retention & Contingency	\$ 20,974.98
TANF COVID Assistance	\$ 7,200.00
Medicaid	\$ 101,503,377.00
Workforce Investment Act/Training & Assistance (Adult & Dislocated Worker)	\$ 31,572.24
CCMEP WIOA Youth	\$ 82,488.23
CCMEP TANF Youth	\$ 62,108.49

**Total Expenditures \$126,079,323.66**

## Area 20 Workforce Investment Board

Shawn Brennan, Adena Health System  
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# CHILDREN SERVICES AND ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Pickaway County Children Services works to ensure that all children live in safe and stable homes. Our goals are to preserve and strengthen families and to prevent child abuse and neglect. Usually, services are provided to a family with the child remaining in the home. However, if necessary, a child may be removed from the home temporarily and placed with a relative or in foster care. We then require the family to follow a court ordered plan to reduce risk factors and improve family well-being.



## Key Statistical Information

- Total Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations— 155 (353 children served)
- Average Monthly Children in Placement— 36
- Newborns testing drug positive—9
- Average Monthly Licensed Foster Homes— 7
- Average Monthly Children placed in kinship care—26
- Total Adoptions—9
- Average Monthly Adult Protective Investigations— 11
- Total Kinship Caregiver Funds —\$42,300.00



- Pickaway County Children Services is looking to increase the number of children adopted in 2022.
- Adult Protective Services continues to serve the elderly population in Pickaway County.
- Pickaway County Children Services will be offering a Mandated reporter training for community partners.

## Major Accomplishments

- Pickaway County Children Services is in the 5th year of our START and EPIC grants.
- Pickaway County Children Services has helped 10 families with Post Adoption Special Subsidies Services.
- Pickaway County Adult Protective Services started mental health services and hoarding clean up services for elderly effected by COVID-19.
- Pickaway County Children Services provided 28 Family Unification Grants to Pickaway County families in need of housing.



*Children, no matter what age, need a sense of belonging. Knowing that you have a family and a place to go is critical for healthy growth and development. If you would like to join us in our efforts to provide safe and stable homes for children, contact us about becoming a foster or adoptive parent.*

## **S A F E**

Adj. ~ free from harm and danger; giving protection

# CHILD SUPPORT

The Child Support Division encourages parents to take responsibility and make a difference in the lives of their children by ensuring all children are supported financially by both parents. The receipt of child support payments helps families to provide basic living expenses such as food and shelter, which can alleviate dependence on public assistance programs. Child Support provides services to establish paternity, establish child support and medical support orders, locate non-custodial parents, enforce child and medical support orders, review and adjustment of orders and track child support collections



## Key Statistical Information

- Total Child Support Collections—\$7,803,998
- Total Paternities Established—29
- Total Child Support Orders Established—77
- Total Child Support Orders Adjusted—73
- Average Monthly Child Support Cases—2,959

## Major Accomplishments

- The Child Support Division collected \$502,817.62 in tax offset collections.
- The Child Support Division collected \$303,890.68 on cash medical support orders.
- The Child Support Division also collected through other enforcement methods —\$4,906.83 from Unclaimed Funds through the Department of Commerce; \$34,848.26 by bank account seizure known as FIDM (Financial Institution Data Match); and \$45,969.53 from casino winnings.
- The Office of Child Support continues to enhance the Child Support Web Portal which provides customers easy on-demand access to their case information. In 2021 the portal was updated to allow registered obligors to schedule recurring payments. Customers can also choose to be notified when information is missing from their case or when a payment is sent to them. The portal application can be downloaded from the AppStore and Google Play so it can be accessed from mobile devices or from <https://jfs.ohio.gov/index.stm> to access from any internet enabled computer.



- The Child Support Division continues working with the Pickaway County Sheriff's Department in 2022. The Sheriff's Department is instrumental in picking up Child Support participants with outstanding warrants.

• The Child Support Division continues to encourage case participants to register for the Office of Child Support Customer Service Web Portal. The web portal allows parties to access information regarding their case or communicate electronically with their case manager. To use this resource parties need to register online at:

<https://jfs.ohio.gov/ocs/index/stm>

by creating a user name and password. The Web Portal is available 23 hours a day, 7 days a week where there is internet access.



## **S T A B L E**

*Adj. ~ consistently dependable; maintaining equilibrium*

# ADULT & FAMILY SERVICES / CHILD CARE

The Adult and Family Services Division offers financial and supportive assistance to families and adults through services including Ohio Works First, Prevention, Retention, and Contingency program (PRC), Food Assistance, and Medicaid. These services and programs help families and adults to become stable and self-sufficient. In addition, we maintain quality services for families and adults, community partners, and agency staff through Customer Service and Network Administration.



## Key Statistical Information

- Average Monthly Ohio Works First Individuals—332
- Average Monthly Food Assistance Individuals— 6,680
- Average Monthly Medicaid Recipients—14,757
- Average Monthly Benefit Recovery Investigations—21
- Total Benefits Recovered Due to Fraud or Error—\$65,669
- Total Short Term Assistance Benefits Paid (PRC) - \$13,891.32
- Average Monthly Child Care Cases—77
- Average Monthly Child Care Home Providers—3
- Average Monthly Child Care Center Providers—9



- The division will continue to evaluate procedures to ensure we meet State and Federal timeliness rates.
- We are also still preparing for the conversion of our Child Care system into the Ohio Benefits system.
- Preparing for the policies changes as the pandemic unwinds.



## Major Accomplishments

- The Adult and Family Services Division continued providing needed services and benefits to the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Provided more avenues to serve the customers, giving them better access to their benefits.

### **SELF - SUFFICIENT**

*Adj. ~ providing for oneself without help; independent*

# OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway

The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County partners which include the OhioMeansJobs in Fairfield, Hocking, Ross and Vinton Counties, assist employers who are seeking qualified applicants for job openings and assist people who are seeking work, looking for better jobs, or in need of training.

## Key Statistical Information

- Total OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Resource Room Job Seekers – 1,583
- Total OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Resource Room First Time Visitors—131
- Total Persons Completed Training – 12

## Major Accomplishments

- The OhioMeansJobs hosted 55 Hiring Events with approximately 154 job seekers in attendance. Of those in attendance, 96 job seekers were hired and are now in gainful employment.
- The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County posted over 175 job openings for employers.
- The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Center has continued to adapt to the changing needs of the public. We have seen an increase in virtual interviewing and have been able to accommodate those demands. The OMJ staff has been dedicated to outreach this year. Workshops have been developed and we have partnered with community agencies to bring those workshops to them. We are currently presenting workshops at Haven House, Pickaway Area Recovery Services, Pathways, and Pickaway Juvenile Correction Facility with plans to continue to grow this service.
- The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County has forwarded over 282 resumes to various companies to help fulfill their staffing needs.
- The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Center continues their strong partnership with the Pickaway WORKS Program. OMJ staff was able to assist with Mock interviews at Circleville High School, Logan Elm and Westfall. OMJ also hosted Teays Valley CBI class.
- OMJ staff attending 10 ribbon cuttings in the community and presented to the New Member meeting for the Chamber of Commerce.



- **FUTURE PLANS** The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Center is committed to learning new innovative ways of providing services to the community we serve.
- The OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway County Center will continue working with employers and job seekers to help the workforce access the resources needed to manage their careers and help companies find skilled employees.

## OhioMeansJobs-Pickaway Co. Partners

Fairfield County Adult Basic Literacy  
Fairfield County Job & Family Services  
Vantage Workforce Solutions  
Ohio Department of Jobs & Family Services  
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD)  
Pickaway County Aspire Program  
Pickaway County Job & Family Services  
Pickaway—Ross Career and Technology Center  
Ross County Adult Basic Literacy Education (ABLE)  
Ross County Job & Family Services  
Veteran's Administration Vocational Rehabilitation  
Eastland Fairfield CTS  
Hocking Athens Perry County Community Action  
Area 20 OhioMeansJobs (OMJ) Centers  
Fairfield County Community Action Agency  
Tri-County JVS  
Pickaway County District Public Library  
Pickaway County Chamber of Commerce  
Pickaway Progress Partnership (P3)

## ***STRENGTHS***

*Noun ~ the quality, state or property of being strong*